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WILL GULLETTE **WINDOWS OF NATURE**

An Exhibition of OIL PAINTINGS

Feb. 5 – Mar. 20

Will Gullette is a remarkable landscape painter who presents to the canvas the same window of perception of nature that he has also delivered as a professional photographer and teacher for over 40 years. His paintings bring the spirit of the great French Open Air painters, with impressionist texture and pallets of similar color and hue onto the knap of canvas. One feels the outdoors quite readily, bringing the viewer into an experience and window of oneness with the flora of our local fields, forests and mountains of San Diego County. As in the image of “Desert Morning” portrayed here, we can sense the essence of our local desert and come away with the identity of what it is to be a San Diego county dweller.

Will Gullette has exhibited at the Santa Ysabel Art Gallery previously in 2013 in a one man show and at all the Santa Ysabel Art Gallery’s Plein Aire art festivals every year from 2009 through 2014. Will states about his work: “Painting is work! Hard work, yet some paintings just seem to paint themselves, while others are total dogs that will only see the dark of the trash can, rather than the light of day. As I am very much an outdoors person, I paint a lot ‘En plein aire’, a French term for painting outside on location direct from your subject. The physical act is fraught with problems like changing light, weather, wind, bugs, people - you get the idea. But nature is always the best teacher and the lessons learned are brought back and applied in studio paintings. Every painting is a journey, some easier than others and although I have an idea about how to approach it, the painting at some point tells me which direction it wants to go.”

The Will Gullette "Windows of Nature" exhibition views from Feb. 5, 2022 through Mar. 20, 2022. The RECEPTION FOR THE ARTIST is on Saturday, February 5, 3-7 PM. Santa Ysabel Art Gallery is at 30352 Hwy 78, Santa Ysabel, CA 92070.